FORTIETH DAY

(Continued) (Monday, March 27, 1995)

AFTER RECESS

The Senate met at 8:00 a.m. and was called to order by Senator Harris.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 60

On motion of Senator Nelson and by unanimous consent, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of S.C.R. 60.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 604

On motion of Senator Nelson and by unanimous consent, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of S.B. 604.

PERMISSION TO INTRODUCE BILLS

On motion of Senator Truan and by unanimous consent, Article III, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Senate Rule 7.07(b) were suspended to permit the introduction of the following bills:

S.B. 1615	S.B.	1619
S.B. 1616	S.B.	1620
S.B. 1617	S.B.	1621
S.B. 1618		

LOCAL AND UNCONTESTED BILLS CALENDAR

The Presiding Officer, Senator Harris in Chair, announced that the time had arrived for consideration of the Local and Uncontested Bills Calendar.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 9.03(d), the following bills were laid before the Senate, read second time, amended where applicable, passed to engrossment/third reading, read third time, and passed (vote on Constitutional Three-Day Rule and final passage indicated after the caption of each bill):

- C.S.S.B. 264 (Luna) Relating to jury service by deaf or hard of hearing persons. (30-0) (30-0)
- S.B. 322 (Nixon) Relating to extensions of orders for pen registers or trap and trace devices. (30-0) (30-0)
- C.S.S.B. 391 (Moncrief on behalf of Harris) Relating to recovery from certain insureds of payments made by the Texas Property and Casualty Insurance Guaranty Association. (30-0) (30-0)
- C.S.S.B. 421 (Wentworth) Relating to the transfer of extraterritorial jurisdiction between certain municipalities. (30-0) (30-0)
- C.S.S.B. 431 (Madla) Relating to the punishment for certain criminal offenses committed on the premises of a public transportation system and the prohibition of consumption of alcoholic beverages on the property of certain metropolitan transit authorities. (30-0) (30-0)

- S.B. 551 (Moncrief on behalf of Harris) Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record in Pantego. (30-0) (30-0)
- C.S.S.B. 584 (Shapiro) Relating to the authority of Dallas County Utility and Reclamation District to enter into tax abatement agreements, to designate reinvestment zones and to utilize all functions and procedures of Chapter 312, Tax Code; and validating prior elections and other actions and contracts. (30-0) (30-0)
- S.B. 737 (Henderson) Relating to exempting court reporting services from the sales and use tax. (30-0) (30-0)

Senator Henderson offered the following committee amendment to the bill:

Committee Amendment No. 1

Amend S.B. 737 to read as follows:

- 1.) On page 1, delete lines 11-12 and substitute in lieu thereof the following:
- (1) prepared for the use of a person participating in a suit or the court in which a suit or administrative proceeding is brought.
- 2.) On page 1, line 21, after the word "format" and before the period, add the following:
- "and courtroom presentation of same"

The committee amendment was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

- S.B. 753 (Shapiro) Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record in Irving. (30-0) (30-0)
- S.B. 779 (Luna) Relating to allowing certain counties to establish a central mailing system. (30-0) (30-0)
- S.B. 795 (Moncrief on behalf of Harris) Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record and the appointment of magistrates in Mansfield. (30-0) (30-0)
- S.B. 796 (Moncrief on behalf of Harris) Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record in Burleson. (30-0) (30-0)
- S.B. 802 (Moncrief on behalf of Harris) Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record in Crowley. (30-0) (30-0)
- S.B. 803 (Moncrief on behalf of Harris) Relating to the creation of municipal courts of record in Kennedale. (30-0) (30-0)

CONCLUSION OF SESSION FOR LOCAL AND UNCONTESTED BILLS CALENDAR

The Presiding Officer, Senator Harris in Chair, announced that the session for the consideration of the Local and Uncontested Bills Calendar was concluded.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills received from the House were read first time and referred to the committees indicated:

- H.B. 222 to Committee on Economic Development.
- H.B. 686 to Committee on Education.
- H.B. 949 to Committee on Criminal Justice.
- H.B. 1292 to Committee on Economic Development.

SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

The following bills and resolutions were introduced, read first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

S.C.R. 102 by Madla

Administration Requesting the lieutenant governor and speaker to establish a special interim committee to study airport needs and financing options.

S.C.R. 103 by Harris Administration Granting National Projects, Inc., permission to sue the State of Texas and the Department of Criminal Justice.

S.C.R. 104 by Harris

Granting MKK-North Star permission to sue the State of Texas and the Department of Criminal Justice.

Administration

S.C.R. 105 by Harris

Granting Green International permission to sue the State of Texas and the Department of Criminal Justice.

Administration

S.C.R. 106 by Wentworth

Granting Harbert Construction Company permission to sue the State of Texas and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Administration

S.B. 1615 by Madla

Jurisprudence Relating to the abolition of the Reeves County Court at Law.

S.B. 1616 by Harris

Relating to arbitration of certain claims against the Texas Department of Criminal Justice arising from the construction of certain state correctional facilities.

S.B. 1617 by Harris Economic Development Relating to the Texas Real Estate Investment Trust Act.

S.B. 1618 by Armbrister Economic Development Relating to the certification of providers by health maintenance organizations.

S.B. 1619 by Brown

Relating to certain powers of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation
Commission, its ability to remediate certain abandoned hazardous
substances, the recovery of costs associated with remediation activities, and
the liability of contractors signing a waste manifest.

S.B. 1620 by Ellis Intergovernmental Relations Relating to the creation, administration, powers, and duties of the Houston Downtown Management District.

S.B. 1621 by Wentworth

Finance

Relating to notice to taxpayers of the effect of granting, reducing, or repealing local option residence homestead exemptions.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Truan, the Senate at 8:14 a.m. adjourned, in memory of former Senator David Ratliff of Stamford and Brent Thurman of Dripping Springs, until 10:00 a.m. today.

APPENDIX

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

The following committee reports were received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 24, 1995

CRIMINAL JUSTICE — C.S.S.B. 141

SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

(March 22, 1995)

S.B. 4 (Effective immediately)

S.B. 181 (Effective immediately)

S.B. 509 (Effective immediately)

FORTY-FIRST DAY

(Monday, March 27, 1995)

The Senate met at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Armbrister, Barrientos, Bivins, Brown, Cain, Ellis, Gallegos, Galloway, Harris, Haywood, Henderson, Leedom, Lucio, Luna, Madla, Moncrief, Montford, Nelson, Nixon, Patterson, Ratliff, Rosson, Shapiro, Sibley, Truan, Turner, Wentworth, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Absent-excused: Sims.